

## **QUESTIONS TO ASK OF THE TEXT BEFORE AND DURING STUDYING:**

- Who wrote this book?
- To whom is it written?
- When was it written?
- Why was it written?
- What genre was it written in? (See Genres in The Bible Chart)

## **THINGS TO SEE IN THE TEXT:**

- Emphasized/repeated words or phrases
- Lists
- Comparisons and/or contrasts
- Commands and warnings
- Grammar
- Questions you have about the text

## **QUESTIONS TO ASK GOD AND ASK YOURSELF:**

- What do I learn about God, Jesus or the Holy Spirit?
- What do I learn about man?
- Is there a sin to confess to God or to someone else?
- How do I need to repent or change?
- Is there a truth I need to believe?
- Is there a promise from God to hold onto?
- Is there an example to follow?
- Is there a command to obey?
- Is there a verse to memorize or pray?

## **QUESTIONS TO ASK OTHERS:**

- How are you going to apply this passage to your life this week, and how can I hold you accountable?
- How can I pray for you this week as you apply this passage to your life?

## GENRES OF THE BIBLE

### OLD TESTAMENT (39 BOOKS)

- **5 Books of the Law (Torah)**
  - » Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy
- **12 Historical Books**
  - » Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 & 2 Samuel, 1 & 2 Kings, 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther
- **5 Wisdom/Poetry Books**
  - » Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, and Song of Solomon
- **5 Major Prophet Books**
  - » Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, and Daniel
- **12 Minor Prophet Books**
  - » Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi

### NEW TESTAMENT (27 BOOKS)

- **4 Gospels**
  - » Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John
- **1 Historical Book**
  - » Acts
- **21 Letters (Epistles)**
  - » Romans, 1 & 2 Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, 1 & 2 Thessalonians, 1 & 2 Timothy, Titus, Philemon, Hebrews, James, 1 & 2 Peter, 1-3 John, and Jude
- **1 Prophetic Book**
  - » Revelation